REMARKS

In the final Office Action, claims 45-51 were allowed and the rest of the pending claims were either finally rejected or withdrawn.

In this response, all rejected claims have been cancelled without prejudice, leaving only allowed claims, and hence, this amendment should be entered.

Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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